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TO AMEMBASSY GABORONE IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY MBABANE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, SREF, WZ

SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL REACTION TO SWAZI CRACKDOWN ON  
PAC/S

REF: A) MBABANE 1380; B) NORLAND-MCCORMICK TELECON OF  
1/21/78; C) STATE 099624 AND PREVIOUS

1. FOR MBABANE: APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE TO SON  
OF REP. BEDELL REGARDING HIS QUESTION OF WHETHER NAMES OF  
HIS ACQUAINTANCES ARE ON LIST OF DETAINEES PROVIDED BY  
UNHCR.

2. BEDELL'S STATEMENT THAT CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS  
HAS SENT TELEGRAM TO KING SOBHUZA ON THIS SUBJECT (REF A)  
IS PUZZLING. DEPARTMENT CHECKS WITH CONGRESSIONAL OFFICES  
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REVEAL NO AWARENESS OF PURPORTED CABLE. REP. DIGGS OFFICE  
ADVISES THAT AS OF FRIDAY BLACKCAUCUS DID NOT REPEAT NOT  
OFFICIALLY SEND OR INDORSE SUCH A MESSAGE. PARREN  
MITCHELL'S OFFICE EQUALLY UNAWARE OF ANY CABLE. FYI.  
DEPARTMENT'S ADVICE (REF C) THAT CAUCUS CONTEMPLATING  
SUCH A CABLE WAS BASED SOLELY ON INFORMATION FROM REP.  
BEDELL. END FYI.

3. FOR AMBASSADOR NORLAND: IN VIEW OF THIS, WE ARE  
OBVIOUSLY UNABLE TO SEND YOU TEXT OF ALLEGED CABLE AS

REQUESTED REF B). YOU SHOULD PROCEED AS AGREED  
REF (C) WITH YOUR MEETING APRIL 2; WITH SWAZI PM. IF YOU  
BELIEVE SITUATION WARRANTS AND RAISING SUBJECT WOULD BE  
USEFUL, YOU SHOULD BROADEN YOUR EXPRESSION OF U.S.  
CONCERN TO INCLUDE SPECIFIC ISSUE OF FAMILIES' ACCESS  
TO DETAINEES. HOWEVER, DESPITE SUGGESTIONS OF BEDELL  
FILS, DEPARTMENT BELIEVES IT WOULD BE INADVISABLE TO  
COMMENT AT THIS POINT TO GOS ON ITS REFUGEE CONTROL  
LEGISLATION. VANCE

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